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Subject: Independent Results confirm MHS /JC Classrooms are Highly Contaminated

Attachments: Key BC Labs PDF.pdf; BCL WO 1413266.pdf; PCB health Science One-Page MU.pdf

## Dear Jared Blumenfeld and Jeff Scott:

Attached please find laboratory analysis results for caulk and dirt samples from Malibu High School (MHS) and Juan Cabrillo Elementary School (JC). These results have been confirmed through 3rd party QAQC and it is imperative that they are shared with you. As you can see some of the results are significant. In fact, after consulting with other regions, these results appear to be the highest in the Nation found in a classroom. Window caulking from Juan Cabrillo Elementary is at 340,000ppm and interior door caulking from Malibu High School room 506 is at 370,000ppm. This is respectfully 34% and 37% PCBs. The Faculty office for PE violated TSCA as well at 190ppm confirming that all 4 teachers with Thyroid Cancer taught in rooms that violate TSCA.

3 dirt samples from classrooms in building E were found to be 11 times the EPA's RSL.

In light of these results, we must state the obvious, the "don't test, don't know" policy is putting students and teachers at risk of lower IQ to cancer (see Health Risks attached below). It is the duty of the EPA to protect our children from environmental toxicants, yet your policy has put our children in harms way. For example, my daughter along with 150 of her friends, was evacuated from classrooms in building E and put into a classroom that was 6800 times more toxic than federal law. My daughter spent 4 of 6 periods per day in this classroom. Superintendent Sandra Lyon told their teacher that this was the only room for her to move to but the previous teacher in this room has thyroid cancer. A simple \$100 caulk test would have prevented this unnecessary and irresponsible exposure to all 6th graders.

We continue to urge you to:

- 1. Order SMMUSD to immediately test all the caulk/building materials suspected of containing PCBs in all classrooms pre-1979
- 2. Order SMMUSD to immediately remove all PCB material in excess of 50ppm that is in violation of TSCA
- 3. Order SMMUSD to use precautionary principles for the new school year, until full source testing and remediation has been completed. School starts Aug 19th, please ensure that students at MHS and JC have a place to be educated that is free of PCBs. ie: continued evacuation of building E and provide portable (pcb-free) classrooms for any rooms that violate 50ppm until which time renovation full remediation has been completed.
- 4. Reject Environ's second PCB plan as wholly inadequate and in violation of TSCA regulation. There is no legal basis for leaving illegal levels of PCBs in place for 15 years.

We hope that the EPA Region 9 will take our situation at MHS and JC more seriously and take swift action to protect our children and use the power of the law to force an unwilling district to fully test all classrooms and identify all PCB sources within the next 60 days and then remediate all PCBs that violate TSCA within 1 year.

Respectfully,

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